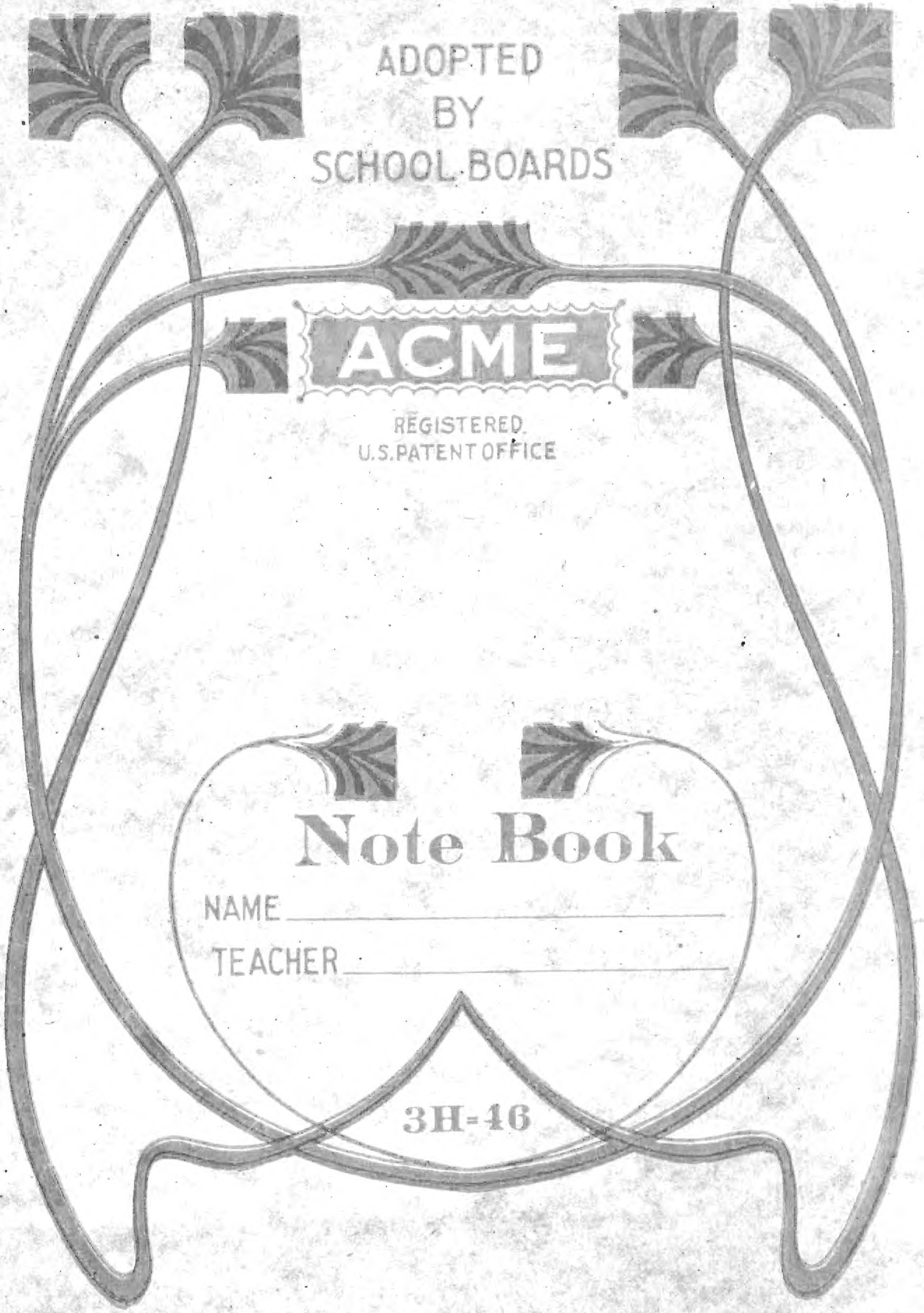

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Revilla Gigedo Expedition
1925
U.S.S. Ortolan
M.M. Nelson
Lieutenant U.S. Navy
Commanding

April 22

Saw three turtles (Green ?) at South anchorage. Well under water

April 26

Collected in Vicinity of Sulphur Bay Clarion Island. Found Uta clarionensis fairly common and rather shy. Males a brilliant green while females were brownish with two longitudinal cream colored stripes. Uta was found from ~~hight~~ high tide line to 600 feet. More common where there were rocks. Collected Coluber anthonyi (2 specimens) near the beach in heavy cactus growth where the blue footed (faced)? boobies were nesting. Showed same habits as mainland form in regard to shyness and speed. Sailors from ship reported seeing several

April 27 - May 1 Inclusive.

Collected on Clarion Island.
Found Uta clarionensis abundant at lower levels among granite boulders more rarely on higher ridges and top of Island. Species found mostly on tops of lava boulders but very occasionally on bushes some two or three feet above ground. General color in life ♂ a light bottle green which turns to blue in alcohol. ♀ Brown with two cream colored longitudinal stripes. Males more abundant than f's

Coluber anthonyi apparently a common species though difficult to obtain catch on account of heavy undergrowth. Collected 16 specimens and saw four skins that had been shed. Saw five other specimens that escaped. Mr. Mason reported three and Mr Wright one. Sailors on Ortolan also reported seeing specimens. No food found in any of the specimens Collected

Sea turtles common in Sulphur Bay. Many pairs found mating and a few specimens on beach. ♀s predominating. All green turtles.

Socorro Island.

Secured series of Uta auriculata. Found them scarce about Braithwaite Bay where they inhabited the Cactus patches and rocks in the vicinity of the shore line, and in the rocky gulches. The lizards however reach high altitudes and a specimen was taken 900 feet below the peaks (check altitude on scale of altitudes) They were found however to be very scarce at higher altitudes. Graysons Cove at the head of Cornwallis Bay was found to be the best collecting ground and lizards were found to be numerous ~~among the~~ among the rocks and trees back of the boulder beach. Three or Four Pairs Green turtles seen. One pair noted copulating at landing place

Maria ~~Magdalena~~ Madre.

May 15 1925

Worked along coast from Settlement Southward towards the Salt lagoon. ~~[illegible]~~ Country low hilly area with moderate sized trees and much brush cut up to some extent by moderate sized to small arroyo's. Ctenosauras and Cnemidophorus were both particularly abundant The holes of Ctenosaura were very numerous along the trail and dug into the bank some one to two feet above ground. They appeared everywhere about the brush and climbed about on the rocks and trees. They were very tame and could readily be approached. Cnemidophorus were abundant about the brush and were also very tame. Any number of specimens of either species could be collected. Utas were fairly common about the driftwood and small stones just in back of the beach. They were not found at any distance inland. Two snakes (racers - same species) were taken in the brushy area between the settlement and the light ~~close to~~ close to the road.

May 16

Worked northward towards the wireless station close to the beach. Found, as yesterday stansburiana and Cnemidophorus abundant. Collected a specimen of

Phyllodactylus tuberculosus under
loose bark of a tree. Anolis
appear to be uncommon only
a few specimens seen Two were
found by Keefer under a stone.
Took one racer on beach among
small stones. Snakes do not seem
to be common.

May 17

Arroyo Honda

Went down Coast in motor-sailer
to Canyon having the fresh water. Found
a small seepage about 5 miles from
the beach. An excellent place for
snakes but only one specimen (a racer)
seen and collected. To date 2 snakes
were seen and not collected. One
by Keefer and one by Jordan which
from descriptions might be King
Snakes. Under a small log in the
bed of the stream found a Kinosternon

well sunk into the sand. A Fair Sized Phyllodactylus was shot off a beam in the roof of an abandoned ranch house. One other specimen was dug from under the bark of a fallen tree but escaped. One other specimen was found at night crawling about the walls of an old house but escaped. To date these are all ~~that~~ have been seen by any of the party.

May 18

Collected in vicinity of Pueblo and found only the common species. Cnemidophorus abundant

May 19

Sailed for Maria Magdalena and made camp ashore on East coast. Country very brushy and deep arroyos Ctenosaura abundant. Cnemidophorus rare, ~~Phyllodactylus~~ Anolis more abundant than on Maria Madre but can be called rare. Snakes not found to be abundant. Mr Gallegos got me racer about 5 PM near water hole. One Boa taken by Hanna late in afternoon in arroyo bottom. Natives report rattlesnakes present but none seen by any of the Party. Utas found common along the beach sunning themselves among the stones and driftwood.

Isabel Island

Found Ctenosaura and Cnemidophorus very abundant and Sceloporus boulengeri Common. Hundreds of Cnemidophorus were about the beach feeding on flies attracted by the debris about a deserted camp of shark fishermen. never saw them so abundant before.

Sceloporus barbouri found among the small trees back of the beach line appears to be an aboreal species

Ctenosaura found everywhere about the rocks and trees.

May 29 and 30

Collected on Magdalena Bay vic of Man-O-War Cove. Found S. zosteromus, U. stansburiana, U. S. elegans, Uta nigricauda all common species in the lower levels covered with cactus and brush. ~~Two~~ One Coleonyx and one Pituophis collected near beach line. Pituophis colored similar to the Cerros Island one viz: much red on dorsal region.

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
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[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to the intermediate [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]. [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] with the [illegible]

[illegible] called was Common [illegible]

[illegible]

where the alpine Carrying is [illegible]

Found on Colony, under a [illegible]

at summit of Cardigan [illegible] the

[illegible] ([illegible])

& the [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

June 7

Collected [illegible] [illegible] in the Canyon [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] collecting [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Uta.

June 8

Collected in vicinity of [illegible] Saw Collection [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] collected [illegible] [illegible] and Uta [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and Uta [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and the [illegible].

1925

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Sailed from Coaling Station at [illegible]

[illegible]

A.M. [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] many [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Pacific Coast of Vancouver
Island on Starboard [illegible] [illegible] heavy [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] rising from the
Sea and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].
Dropped [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] swell running ashore and
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Chance [illegible] [illegible]
two [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Broke out water for [illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] most part of [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] returned to Ship [illegible] [illegible].
Getting under way and [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

April [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] Did not [illegible] Cabbin [illegible] down [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

Cloudy weather

April 26

Arrived at Clarion Island about 7
a.m. Saw many frigate birds and boobies
overhead. Dropped anchor in Sulphur

Bay. Shore party crossed the Island.
Island overgrown with [illegible]
Cactus making walking very difficult.
Frigate birds, White [illegible]
Quantities [illegible] birds [illegible]
very abundant [illegible] small
ground doves. Spent [illegible] day ashore
and sailed for Roca Partida about
3 P.M. May 1. Sky overcast. Small
sea.

May 2

Arrived at Roca Partida about 7 A.M.
Cloudy weather small sea. Roca Partida
only small rock and [illegible] right up
to edge. Saw frigate birds, boobies
(some nests) and black [illegible] with
white breast. [illegible]
Spent about an hour and a half
near here & sailed for Socorro
Island about 10 A.M. arriving about

4 PM Sent Spotty ashore after Sheriff [illegible] [illegible] and his [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] finishing [illegible] [illegible] the spot.

May 2

[illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ Tender [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

May 3

Virginia [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] of the ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible], [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] on the [illegible]

all that [illegible] [illegible] from [illegible]
of [illegible] and [illegible] of [illegible]
a large supply [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]

May 6-7

Made a trip to the top of [illegible]
with [illegible] [illegible], Dwight
and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] all water [illegible] and left
[illegible] about [illegible] [illegible] through
[illegible] country [illegible] and [illegible]
a [illegible] [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~
Arrived in [illegible] country with fairly
large trees [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible]
are with some fruit [illegible] [illegible]
~~tasted~~, rested about [illegible] until [illegible]
a while [illegible] to [illegible] spring [illegible]
Camp about 4.30 in trees at head
of valley and about 500 feet below
peak. Killed some [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] and we found another [illegible] the north side of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] flowers and seeds [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Went a [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] line and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Boys spent a [illegible] [illegible]
building the [illegible] of the [illegible] and
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

May 7-10

Spent a [illegible] [illegible] day
spending time fishing, diving, reading
and relaxing. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
go on [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] many [illegible] and [illegible]

May 11

Started on trip around the Island
in Ships [illegible] Gibson about 6:30
a.m. [illegible] [illegible] wind west and
found sea too heavy to proceed

equipment to be returned to [illegible] program. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] first [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ship [illegible]

May 11

Sunday [illegible] [illegible] breakfast early as [illegible] [illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] landings [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] ship to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] up the [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ [illegible] to set up [illegible] [illegible] hundred forty [illegible] [illegible] about [illegible] [illegible] great [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] first [illegible] pleased with [illegible] and returned to ship at 1430 [illegible] departure [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

May 2

En route to Tres Marias Islands
Cloudy with Smooth Sea 10.0 a.m
passed ~~[illegible]~~ Kronland at 1 island
land [illegible] [illegible] getting ready
to get [illegible] [illegible] and reach Tamp.
Arrived at Maria Magdalena about
6 P.M. Officer went ashore to pay
respects to the Commandante.
[illegible] cruised off the [illegible] village
About 20 Prisoners here at present.
Small & typical Mexican village with
the exception of the dogs.

May 4

Landed [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] everything of the
~~the~~ [illegible] [illegible] who is not
here just at present. Two story white
house typical of a Mexican village
Outside [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible]

ashore with [illegible] on the [illegible] [illegible] Sailin S[illegible] [illegible]

May

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] from Sangley [illegible] with [illegible] and visited the lighthouse. Keeper showed us around. Light is a small revolving light of [illegible] [illegible] and works with a [illegible] and spring. Took pictures [illegible] [illegible] from the head to the [illegible] [illegible] Saw many birds and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] walking through the woods [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

4 May/16

Walked down to the wireless station and talked with the operator and [illegible] teacher for the children of the [illegible] [illegible].

[illegible] = 17

Went ashore [illegible] [illegible] first [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] upon entering the forest [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] for a distance of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and found a very small [illegible] of running water which [illegible] [illegible] probably [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible]. Passed a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] filled with birds. Saw that beautiful [illegible] Green and [illegible] paroquets [illegible] a [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Returned to the beach about 4.PM and [illegible] another [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] about 5.30

May 16

[illegible]

May 17

Left at Sunrise for Maria Magdalena and arrived on East Coast after a 2 hour run. Antonio and guide showed us an Anchorage so anchored about Sails, and brought gear ashore making Camp just back of beach with small arroyo. After Breakfast all hands ~~starting~~ out collecting. Went up Canyon back of beach for a way but returned owing to poor collecting. Mr. Moran and Mr. Wright started out

After dark supposing it to be gone all night

May 21

Expected to start off for Alaska made but Bert Manson not returning to Camp leaving we were going delayed departure. All hands quite worried over his absence so Blanny Wright walked some 6 or 8 miles around north end of island to follow his track. There they found ending at a steep bluff and no way to get around head. They returned about 5.30 well tired out from a hard walk. Party was just about under orders to return to Alaska [illegible] and get help. Left with party in another [illegible] ~~another~~ at 7 PM made course by Compass NW ½ N.

After a [illegible] [illegible] ([illegible])
landed ~~and~~ at wharf at [illegible] [illegible]
and after getting on dry clothes
Communicated with Commandant [illegible]
in regard to getting help. He was
most obliging and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] to round up four men
who were thoroughly acquainted with
the Island. The men were mustered
and ordered to report at 2.30 a.m.
I then walked to wireless station with
message to Academy, [illegible] &
Commandant [illegible] Island ~~This~~
~~was [illegible] [illegible]~~ Woke up
Operator who was most courteous
and obliging. He informed me he
could not send the message to
Arlington as they [illegible] not receive
after 6 p.m. He however said he
would do so the first thing in
the morning and retired at once

broadcast it 4 times on the before
~~that~~ some ship around point of
and stay [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Station
at 12:00 a.m. and arrived at
our house at 1.15 a.m. Prepared my and bread
Spam [illegible] and was called by Mrs T.R. and
at 2:15 [illegible] Turned out and cooked
boats crew and [illegible] the Mexican.
Shoved off at 3 a.m. boat having been
loaded with water, provisions and
medical outfit night before. Stopped
at Salt Lagoon to pick up one Mexican
named [illegible] S.E. 1/2 S
field Camp on Mesa Magdalena during
first of the day before. Took water
and provisions ashore and had
breakfast. Mexicans started to
the lake up trail and hunt for
[illegible] Allison Hanna [illegible]
with another [illegible] and went around
south end of Island keeping steady

Radio'd [illegible] from [illegible] [illegible] Pressed [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible]
made out a small [illegible] of smoke
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
and [illegible] [illegible] made for
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Jeffed [illegible] & took Harry
Copy [illegible] of Walter Smith [illegible]
line. They [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
found Alessio Carena and soon
found him lying in the shade of
a rock [illegible] exhausted, and
without water [illegible] hrs.
Dr Harry returned to Skiff with
this information. So got Col [illegible]
out of Walter Smith and [illegible]
[illegible] to [illegible] line [illegible]
end of line. Harry & [illegible]
brought Alessio down to [illegible]
made him fast to [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to land
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] through [illegible] [illegible] and
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
Mission [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] and
got [illegible] [illegible] landed [illegible]
and [illegible] [illegible] we [illegible] Returned
to Camp [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] small
drinks of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and
some [illegible] [illegible] and a little fruit
arrived at Camp [illegible] [illegible]
the [illegible] [illegible] following
[illegible] [illegible] engaged and
[illegible] at [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
by [illegible] [illegible] we both returned
to Camp after all [illegible] at
[illegible] [illegible] camp and returned
to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible]

May 12

[illegible]

May 14

Arrived at Sand Island about 7 A.M. Small island with low sand beach. Thousands of Frigate birds and Boobies. Landed on small sand beach in little Cove. Excellent landing. Found a camp evidently deserted in a hurry. Proved to be a camp of Shark fishermen who were drying out the meat. Great many dead Sharks stacked up on beach. Spent the day here and left at 11 P.M. for [illegible] dropping anchor off [illegible] about 7 A.M. May 15

May [illegible]

[illegible] ashore at Mazatlan. [illegible]

May 26

Made a trip by auto to the Sugar plantation of Mr. Haas about 20 miles inland passed through dry barren country with small trees. had a Mexican dinner and [illegible] [illegible]. Started back about 4 PM in order to make 6 o'clock boat for ship.

May 27

On board all day. Baseball team ashore to play team from Mazatlan and were badly beaten. Visitors on board again. Sailed for Cabo San Lucas in the evening.

May 28

[illegible] 3 [illegible]

May 29

Arrived Magdalena Bay about 11 AM. The [illegible] looks the same as when we were here before. Changes. Whaler ship and launch anchored off old whaling station. Captain said he saw three whales but could not handle. Went ashore collecting in P.M.

May 30

Went collecting. Sailed at 5:30 for Turtle Bay

January [illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Bank of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Camp. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] which are all the [illegible] [illegible] Breakfast cooked [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] last [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Camp [illegible] returned to ship again.

Got a late [illegible] start [illegible] left [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] dropped [illegible] [illegible] boat and
[illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] had to reload [illegible] [illegible]
boat off [illegible] [illegible] canyon and [illegible]
[illegible] walked up the head of
sidehill canyon finding a fairly good
sized stream of water. Near head of
canyon found ruin of an old stone
hut once used by prospectors [illegible]
and [illegible] all day [illegible] [illegible]

uncomfortable. Got back to ship about 6 P.M. Wind still blowing hard and ship was rolling considerably while at anchor. Got underway about [illegible] 2.14

June 6

~~Under~~ On course to San Quentin rough head sea and strong N.W. breeze ship making about 5 knots. Anchored under Point San Quentin before daylight

June 7

Spent day on board. Party went ashore in motor boat. Hanna went to Red Rock Rancho and found Olney & Mrs Canfield camped there. Party returned about 6 P.M

June 8

Underway about 5 a.m. bound for

San Martin Island: Dropped
anchor off Hasslers Cove at 7 am
and all hands went ashore
Collecting. Boat called at
11.30 and [illegible] left for San
Diego ~~Sm~~ Smooth sea and light
NW wind.